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Being a History of Some of the Selders from the Early 1800s to the Present

In this old Bible I find names the same as some of the younger ones.

Sarah Selder died May 23, 1812
George Selder died Oct. 27, 1828
David Selder died May 21, 1811
George Selder, Jr. died Dec. 10, 1811

I know nothing as to whom or where Sarah (born 1831) married or lived as well as Louise or Emeline. One must have married a Reed as Delf Reed lived in Bristol, at edge of town on the Bonneyville road. He had two children, Geneva and Vern. He married and lived almost across the road from his father. Delf and Geneva were killed on their way home from threshing, on a hayrack. A car ran into them. It was a George E. Reed of Fremont, Indiana who took the old slab, then returned it to Improved Order of Redmen. Julia married a man named Green and lived in Muskegon, Michigan. She had a son, Clarence who lost his sight by an accident and then went to Lansing, Mich. to a school for the blind. Was a piano tuner and died in Florida. Think he and another man ran a music store, Jim Hamilton. Hester married a man named Smith and lived in Kansas City, Missouri; had a son, Dr. French Smith. He is in Lyndon.

William was my grandfather, and died here. Newton lived in Leavenworth, Kansas, I think. Forgot how many children he had. John lived in Lapeer, Mich., died there. Took lessons from John P. Philip Sousa and was a Band Master there for years. He had three children: Thurza, Eva and lyle. The girls had no children. Don't remember about Lyle. He died in Columbiaville, Michigan; Eva in Lansing; Thurza Waggoner in Bellaire.

James Munson Selder, 1305 Mallory Ave., Cove, Oregon. Had nine children. He was a dairyman 30 years, moved to Portland two years before he died of heart disease.

I think this old Bible was George Selder's as he was kidnapped from Germany, probably Handover, and taken to north Ireland when about 10 years old, then brought to America. He was indentured to a Mr. Baird in Philadelphia and took his name for a time. When 20 years old he resumed his own name and went to Maryland. Later married Anna Leaper(some descendants say Anna Hemphill) and removed in 1763 to Chestnut Ridge and in 1773 became Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania. The family had four boys over sixteen, four under sixteen and two girls. I have the Selder family bulletin compiled by E. F. Warner, superintendent of Schools, Bellevue, Ohio. George lived to be 104 years old, died 1828. He and wife are buried in Keltz cemetery four miles from Ligonier. The German way to spoll it is Seldern.

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CHILDREN OF JAMES GOFF SELDER AND WIVES

James G. Selder	Born	May 8, 1806
Pamelia Selder	"	July 4, 1809
Sarah Selder	"	April 16, 1831
Louise Selder	"	October 6, 1832
William Selder	"	October 31, 1834
Julia Selder	"	March 24, 1836
P. Amanda	"	March 5, 1838
Newton Selder	"	February 13, 1841
John Selder	"	August 6, 1842
Emeline J. Selder	"	March 12, 1844
J. Munson Selder	"	February 4, 1846
George Selder	"	December 24, 1847
Hester A. Selder	"	October 3, 1849

James G. and Pamelia Selder were married January 19, 1830
James G. and Eliza Selder were married December 10, 1839

Pamelia Selder	Died	December 6, 1838
James G. Selder	"	January 3, 1864
Eliza Selder	"	February 10, 1887
Newton Selder	"	April 13, 1882
John Selder	"	April 9, 1915

William Selder	Born	October 31, 1834
Esther J. Selder	"	November 4, 1840
Charles D. Selder	"	September 24, 1859
Clara B. Selder	"	September 18, 1863
Ralpheus V. Selder	"	September 21, 1867
L. Edna Selder	"	March 11, 1871
Julia E. Selder	"	May 26, 1872

William Selder and Esther J. Oakes were married October 21, 1858
David Criffield and Julia Selder were married October 1, 1890
William Hall and Edna Selder were married June 14, 1891
Philip Hall and Edna Hall were married May 21, 1910
William Orville Criffield and Lulu Campbelle were married January 3,1916

Charles D. Selder	Died	August 12, 1869
Clara B. Selder	"	August 14, 1869
Ralpheus V. Selder	"	August 21, 1869
Esther J. Selder	"	January 1, 1877
William Selder	"	February 10, 1917
Orville Criffield	Born	April 1[illegible], 1892
Viola M. Criffield	"	June 19, 1895
Florence E. Hall	"	April 18, 1892

CHILDREN OF ESTHER J. AND WILLIAM SELDER

BORN

Charles Delos Selder born in Middlebury township, Elkhart County, Indiana, September 24, 1859.

Clara Belle Selder born in Middlebury township, Elkhart County, Indiana, September 18, 1863.

Ralpheus Victor Selder born in Middlebury township, Elkhart County, Indiana, September 21, 1867.

Laura Edna Selder born in Middlebury township, Elkhart County, Indiana, March 11, 1871.

Julia Elva Selder born in Middlebury township, Elkhart County, Indiana, May 26, 1872.

GRAND CHILDREN

Orville William Criffield born in Pokagon township, Cass County, Michigan, April 15, 1892, son of Julia.

Viola May Criffield born in Pokagon Township, Cass County, Michigan, June 19, 1895, daughter of Julia.

Florence Edith Hall born in St. Joseph Co., Mottville, Michigan, April 18, 1892, daughter of Edna.

DEATHS OF ESTHER J. & WM. SELDER

CHILDREN AND BURIAL PLACES

In Middlebury Township August 12, 1869 of scarlet fever, Charles Delos Selder, eldest son, age 9 years, 10 months, 19 days.

Also August 14, 1869, same disease, Clara Belle Selder, only daughter of Esther J. and Wm. Selder dies. Age 5 years, 10 months, 27 days.

Again, August 21, 1869, little Ralpheus, the last one was called to go by the same disease. Age 1 year, 11 months.

In Middlebury Township, January 1, 1877, Ester J. Selder died of consumption, age 36 years, 1 month, 27 days.

These four are buried in Bonneyville Cemetery, York Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, east of Bristol, Indiana about three miles.

DEATHS

Laura Edna Selder Hall, wife of Philip Hall, died of stroke and old age, November 6, 1946 in Dowagiac, Michigan. Buried in Riverside Cemetery.

Julia Elva Selder Criffield, wife of David Criffield, died of Streptococcus Septicemia of the blood, December 5, 1945 in Dowagiac, Michigan. Buried in Riverside Cemetery. David Criffield died November 8, 1930.

William Selder died at Daughter's home (Julia Elva Selder Criffield) February 17, 1917. Died in Dowagiac, age 82 years, 3 months, 7 days. Died of old age.

Viola May Criffield Murphy died July 5, 1962 at 6:15 at Osteopathic Hospital, South Bend, Indiana with hepatitis. Daughter of Julia Elva Selder Criffield and David Criffield. Buried on their lot in Riverside Cemetery, Dowagiac, Michigan. Age 67 years, 16 days.

Rodger Lee Criffield, son of Orville and Lulu Campbell Criffield was born in Dowagiac, Michigan, December 6, 1918. Died June 3, 1919. Buried in Riverside Cemetery on Criffield lot. Four generations on that lot.

Philip Hall died April 26, 1920. Died of Cancer and heart attack. Buried in Riverside Cemetery, Dowagiac, Michigan.

MARRIAGES

James Goff Selder and Pamelia Selder were married January 19, 1830.

James Goff Selder and Eliza Trego were married December 10, 1839. Eliza Trego born Onondago County, New York, March 30, 1810.

In York Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, October 21, 1858, by Rev. J. Maffet married Mr. William Selder to Esther Joannah Oakes. William Selder was born near Havana in Stowe Township, Portage County, Ohio. Esther was born in Mansfield, Richland County, Ohio.

In Middlebury Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, October 1, 1890, Rev. E. F. Albertson married Mr. David Criffield to Miss Julia Elva Selder.

William Hall and Laura Edna Selder were married June 14, 1891.

Philip Hall and Laura Edna Hall were married in Cassopolis, Michigan May 21, 1910 by Judge Chester E. Cone.

Orville Criffield, son of Julia Criffield, and Lulu May Campbell were married January 3, 1916 at the home of Rev. H. A. Bushnell, First Congregational Church, St. Joseph, Berrien County, Michigan.

Viola May Criffield, daughter of Julia Criffield, and Donald Servis were married August 10, 1918. Were divorced, she then married Oliver Murphy August 24, 1938 in South Bend, Indiana. Later divorced and soon after he was killed in an automobile accident.

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